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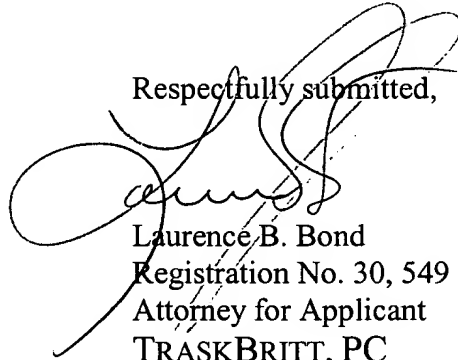
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the applicant hereby ratifies the Appeal Brief filed on 26 January 2004.

In further confirmation of this ratification, applicant appends hereto a copy of the Appeal Brief, executed by the undersigned. Should any further issues remain in this regard, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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